

To: Montana State Library Commission  
From: PEEL Advisory Committee  
Date April 16, 2004  
Re: Scholarship recommendations

The PEEL Advisory Committee met in Helena on April 7, 2004, to consider applications received for the Montana Library Scholarship Program. Twenty-eight complete applications were received and reviewed by Committee members. The pool of applicants was very strong and it was a difficult task for the Committee to narrow the field and make the following recommendations to the Commission:

1. Recommend notifying the twenty applicants presented on the attached list (A) that they are not being considered for a scholarship award. This will make it possible for these applicants to pursue other assistance.
2. Recommend delaying the final decision on scholarship awards until mid May when all of the remaining eight applicants will have received notice about acceptance into a graduate program. Right now, only one of these applicants has been officially accepted into library school. Once the status of these individuals is known, it will be possible for the Committee to reconsider their applications and prepare a recommendation for funding for the Commission. The Commission could meet by teleconference to take action on this recommendation.
3. Recommend notifying the eight applicants presented on the attached list (B) of their "still being considered" status and of the projected date of a final decision on scholarship awards.

The Committee discussed the possibility of making a portion of the scholarship money available in another round of applications next year. A decision on this will be presented as part of the Committee's final recommendation to the Commission.

**LIST A**  
**PEEL Montana Library Scholarship Program**  
**List of Applicants Recommended for Removal from Scholarship Consideration**  
**April 16, 2004**

Ann Baker – Wolf Point  
Brenda Boyd – Bozeman  
Nancy Callan – Columbia Falls  
Michelle Fenger – Big Fork  
Keeley Fitzgerald – Ennis  
Joan Hantz – Colstrip  
Darlene Hert – Billings  
Steph Johnson – Somers I  
Michelle Jutila – Colstrip  
David Ketchum – Missoula  
Kristine Laib – Billings  
Jennifer Lemon – Bozeman  
Bonnie Ortner – Worden  
Carla Ranney – Belgrade  
Mark Rocque – Bozeman  
Janey Salomon – Ronan  
Jennifer Simonson – Fairfield  
Lea Ann Smith – Stryker  
Julie Swanson – Corvallis  
Patricia Tintinger – Kalispell

**LIST B**

**PEEL Montana Library Scholarship Program**

**List of Applicants Recommended for Further Consideration for Scholarship Award**

**April 16, 2004**

Honore Bray – Hall  
Erin Casey – Darby  
Kathryn Holt – Havre  
Anne James -- Kalispell  
Marcia Lubick -- Butte  
Judith McKenna -- Bozeman  
Lauren McMullen – Big Timber  
Frederick Noel -- Polson